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Conf. No.: 2837 : Examiner: F. D. Lopez
Appln. No.: 09/652,090 :
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Title: Hydraulic Drive Apparatus : (T37-124467M/TH)

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER (37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a))

Applicants in the above-identified application hereby petition(s) for a three-month extension of time to and including May 15, 2003 for responding to the Final Office Action mailed November 15, 2002. A Notice of Appeal from Primary Examiner to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences accompanies this Petition.

Our firm's check including an extension fee in the amount of \$820.00 (the three-month extension of time fee of \$930 being reduced by \$110 previously paid with a Petition filed on March 14, 2003 for a one-month extension of time).

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 50-1017 (**Billing No. 209369.0051**) as noted below. A duplicate copy is enclosed.

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